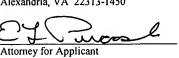
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed in connection with the above-referenced application is the following:

• Statement of the Substance of the Interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due in connection with this filing to our Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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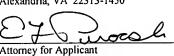
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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

The examiner called to suggest certain changes to the claims. The changes suggested by the examiner are reflected in the supplemental amendment dated 12/19/2007 and address concerns on the part of the examiner that certain language in the claims was too vague (e.g., "in response to" in certain of the independent claims) and that certain other language was undefined within the claims.

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